Attorney Docket No. 9335-8CT PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re:	Pollard et al.	Confirmation No.:	4002
Appn No.:	10/685,260	Group Art Unit:	3653
Filed:	October 14, 2003	Examiner:	M. Butler
For:	DEVICE TO COUNT AND DISPENSE ARTICLES		

Date: November 18, 2009

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED JULY 8, 2009

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated July 8, 2009 and the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment dated November 9, 2009 (the Notice), please amend the above-identified application as follows.

If any extension of time for the accompanying response or submission is required, Applicants request that this be considered a petition therefor. The Director is hereby authorized to charge any additional fee, which may be required, or credit any refund, to our Deposit Account No. 50-0220.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.